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## REVISIONS OF WATER QUALITY STANDARDS

The department is proposing revisions to numeric chemical criteria in the Water Quality Standards 567 IAC Chapter 61. These revisions are being proposed as a decision item at the Environmental Protection Commission meeting in Urbandale on May 1, 2007. The revisions are summarized below.

- Change the current numerical criteria for 19 chemical parameters to protect aquatic life for the following designations: Class B(WW-1), Class B(WW-2), and Class B(WW-3).
- Change current numerical criteria to protect human health for 41 chemical parameters for Class HH – Human Health.
- Add the chemical parameter aldrin to Table 1 to protect aquatic life.

These amendments will revise the current chemical criteria to reflect the latest scientific information and Environmental Protection Agency guidance.

Questions and comments regarding the Notice of Intended Action can be directed to Adam Schnieders at [adam.schnieders@dnr.state.ia.us](mailto:adam.schnieders@dnr.state.ia.us) or by phone at 515-281-7409. A copy of the NOIA can be found at <http://www.iowadnr.com/epc/index.html>.

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## STATE REVOLVING FUND WEB SITE UPDATE

Want to find out what can be funded through SRF? Looking for the new water supply manual? Need an overview of SRF environmental review services? Go to <http://www.iowasrf.com>.

The Iowa SRF web site has been updated and enhanced to give you more information and resources for financing water quality and drinking water projects. If there is anything else you'd like to see on the site, please contact Patti Cale-Finnegan, SRF Coordinator, 515-725-0498 or [patti.cale-finnegan@dnr.state.ia.us](mailto:patti.cale-finnegan@dnr.state.ia.us).

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## WORKSHEET ON-LINE FOR CWSRF EXTENDED FINANCING

Extended financing is now offered for all Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) treatment projects. Loan terms may go up to 30 years, based on the useful life of the project. To calculate the possible loan term, the engineering consultant will fill out the extended financing worksheet and submit it to the DNR project manager for approval. The worksheet is now Exhibit 14 in the wastewater permitting manual, on-line at <http://www.iowadnr.com/water/wastewater/downloads.html>. Once the worksheet is approved by DNR, it can be submitted to the Iowa Finance Authority to set the actual loan term.

For more information on the SRF process, please contact your DNR project manager or Patti Cale-Finnegan, SRF Coordinator, 515-725-0498 or [patti.cale-finnegan@dnr.state.ia.us](mailto:patti.cale-finnegan@dnr.state.ia.us).

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## PROPOSED LIVESTOCK WATER QUALITY FACILITY RULE

A proposed rule to 567 IAC Chapter 93 affects changes to the Livestock Water Quality (LWQ) Facilities program. As part of the Clean Water State Revolving Fund, this program provides low-interest financing to eligible animal feeding operations for manure management structures, equipment, and plans. This rule will be presented to the Environmental Protection Commission at their May 1st meeting for Notice of Intended Action.

This proposed rule will allow financing of new bedded confinement buildings, or deep-bedded buildings, under certain conditions. The current rules for the LWQ program do not allow for financing of these structures. The draft rules can be found at <http://www.iowadnr.com/epc/index.html>.

If the EPC approves the proposed rule to proceed as a Notice of Intended Action, it will be printed in the May 23rd edition of the Iowa Administrative Bulletin <http://www.legis.state.ia.us/Rules/Current/Bulletin/> and the public comment period will end on June 21, 2007. A public hearing is scheduled for June 14.

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